

House Resolution No. 4685

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives hold in high esteem those Show-Me State residents who bring glory and honor to themselves and to this great state through the excellence of their achievements in national venues of service; and

Whereas, Noel R. Poe of Van Buren, Missouri, has attained considerable distinction as the Superintendent of the Ozark National Scenic Riverways, a leadership calling that he will bring to an end on September 15, 2007, in well-deserved retirement after four decades in federal service; and

Whereas, a member of the United States Army for more than two years, Noel Poe subsequently served for more than thirty-eight years with the National Park Service; and

Whereas, the Superintendent of the Ozark National Scenic Riverways for the past five years, Noel Poe was Superintendent for three other national parks: Florissant Fossil Beds National Monument in Colorado, Arches National Park in Utah, and Theodore Roosevelt National Park in North Dakota; and

Whereas, a member of the River Management Society, Noel Poe also belongs to the Association of National Park Rangers, is a trustee with the North Dakota Historical Foundation, is the treasurer of the Van Buren Area Community Betterment Association, is a board member and past president of the Van Buren Youth and Community Center, is a member and past president of the Van Buren Rotary Club, and is a meetings facilitator for Saint George Catholic Parish; and

Whereas, no stranger to honors and accolades, Noel Poe was a 1995 Sheldon Coleman Great Outdoors Award recipient, received a 1998 Grand County, Utah, resolution, and earned appointment in 2000 to the city council of Medora, North Dakota; and

Whereas, Noel Poe is justifiably proud also to be known as the loving father of three sons and the wonderful grandfather of five boys and one girl:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the personal and professional accomplishments garnered down through the years by Noel Poe and to convey to him this legislative body's most heartfelt best wishes as he partakes of the special opportunities and pleasures traditionally associated with the golden years of retirement; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for presentation to Noel R. Poe of Van Buren, Missouri.

Offered by _____
Representative Mike Dethrow
District No. 153

Representative J.C. Kuessner
District No. 152

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, First Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 4685, adopted September 10, 2007.

Rod Jetton, Speaker